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**TERMINATED POLYMERS** 

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# Information Disclosure Statement After First Office Action but Before Final Action or Notice of Allowance 37 CFR 1.97(c)

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## 1. <u>Timing of Submission</u>

The information transmitted herewith is being filed *after* three months of the filing date of this application or after the mailing date of the first Office action on the merits, whichever occurred last, but *before* the mailing date of either a final action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113 or a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. §1.311, whichever occurs first. The references listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 (modified) may be material to the examination of this application; the Examiner is requested to make them of record in the application.

### 2. <u>Cited Information</u>

A copy of reference 1 is a published patent application and is not included (see 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(i)).

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